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S.N. 189
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Subject.

Grant from the Assigned Tract Revenues to St.Martha's Hospital, Bangalore City.

Erection of a Home or Wards for incurables

Previous References.

F. No. 210 of 1922.
F. No. 396 of 1928

Later References.

F. No. 409 of 1934

Office notes
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NOTES AND PRECIS.

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Please see S.N.16.

The Government of India may be asked to continue the grant of Rs.100/- per mensem paid to St. Martha's Hospital, Bangalore City for a further period of one year from the 1st April 1932.

Draft submitted for approval.

T. N. Thangavelu
Mudaliar
2-10-1931.

Secretary
2-10-31

When I saw this grant, it came to the Secretariat.

Please see S.N. 7/210-1922 in which the Hon'ble Mr. (now Sir William) Barton addressed the Government of India for the first time in February, 1923, on the ----- subject of a grant from the revenues of the Assigned Tract to St. Martha's Hospital, Bangalore City. As free treatment was given at the institution to an average number of 50 out-patients and 20 in-patients from the ---- Station daily, he recommended the payment of a grant of Rs. 100/- a month. This grant is being continued year after year on a temporary basis after obtaining the sanction of the Government of India. If it is intended to continue the grant next year, the draft already ------- submitted may now issue?

T. N. Thangavelu
Mudaliar
9-10-1931.

Secretary.

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Memo.

There is a great need in a place like Bangalore for a Home or Wards for Incurables. At present the only ~~xxx~~ Institution that will take them at all is St Martha's and they have no suitable accommodation. I consider that the question should be gone into. St Martha's will undertake management, etc, if Wards are provided. If a Committee were ~~xxxtm~~ appted and appeals made in Bangalore, Madras Presidency, etc, and if C and M Station, Mysore and Madras gave grants, I believe the necessary sum cd be raised. I suggest Residency Surgeon be consulted.

T. C. D.

1.5.1933

Col Plowden.

Yes I think too that the R.S. might be consulted.

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Rest.

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T. C. D.
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In January, 1925 the authorities of St. Martha's Hospital, Bangalore City were asked whether they could accommodate a further number of incurable cases in ----- consideration of the allowance of Rs. 100/- a month they were receiving from Mysore Assigned Tract revenues. This led the authorities of the hospital to propose the erection of additional wards to accommodate the increasing number of incurable cases in the Station and Bangalore City. It was proposed to erect three separate blocks of buildings two at an estimated cost of Rs. 60,000/- each and one at a cost of Rs. 12,000/-. The Authorities of the Hospital approached the Hon'ble the Resident with a request for a grant of Rs. 60,000/- for the erection of one block and they approached the Mysore Government also for a similar grant for the erection of the second block. The Hospital Authorities intended to erect the 3rd block themselves.

S.N. 54/210-22.
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In July, 1926 the late Sir Steuart Pears submitted the plans and estimates to the Government of India with the recommendation that a non-recurring grant of Rs.60,000 might be paid from Central revenues and a recurring grant of Rs. 200/- per mensem from Mysore Assigned Tract ------ revenues. Owing to financial stringency the Government of India did not sanction the proposal-vide D.O. letter No.5(3)-A/20, dated the 20th March, 1928.

S.N. 2/396-28.

U.O.

The papers below may be sent/to the Residency Surgeon, Bangalore, with reference to paras 1 and 2 of the notes.

(From para 2)

T. N. Thangavelu Mudaliar.
5-5-1933

Secretary.

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H.Q. No. 3520
4 May 1933

To

The Residency Surgeon, Bangalore, U.O.

OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.
BANGALORE.
31 MAY 1933
Regd. No. 4822
No. 167/33

The Secy.

I Sent for Dr. Normba, who succeeded the late Dr Da Costa in the medical charge of St Martha's Hospital. I have asked him to ascertain from the Mother Superior what exactly is their idea in applying for large Grants for Buildings, without Considering, what is just as Essential, what Grants will be available for the additional medical & nursing Staff which will then be required. I gathered from our Conversation that Dr. Normba is not at all in favour of such a large project. He has evidently not been taken into Consultation in the matter, and he himself admits that medical arrangts & nursing arrangts in his hospital are Carried on with a staff which is not properly trained, & he is of opinion that the Nuns do not realise the requirements of an up to date hospital either in regard to the number & quality of the medical Staff, but still more of the nursing staff.

I have had frequent opportunities of visiting this hospital, often in Consultation with Dr Normba, and I think that before Govt money in large amount is spent upon new buildings, a great re-organisation of the System is necessary.

The hospital for instance, does practically no Surgery. Can accas! outside practitioners takes a case in & operates but there is no Surgically trained nursing or theatre staff. There is no X ray Dept. In fact the hospital is Essentially a place where Sick Frenchmen & Europeans from S. India Can rest & Convalesce under Quiet Conditions with a markedly religious & Kindly atmosphere, but without up to date treatment. Now, it is clear that "incurable Cases" are not only medical - They are also Surgical - & may require the applic" of Splints for TB - the administration of various Curative injections for TB abscesses - the treatment by massage, ultra violet ray, X ray therapy etc. of weakened & paralysed muscles.

My own opinion is that the Society which runs this hospital has no clear & practical idea of what it wants, & still less of what it is capable of doing for Such "incurable Cases".

Mr Ameer. I shd propose that we await the Case which Dr Normba will shortly put up. When I Seen this file & he is now Consulting the Sisterhood which runs the St Martha's Hospital.

I do not mean, however, to Say that we do not require accommodn & treatt for "incurables" but we do require Such - but it would appear to be better, in my opinion, to attach the Extra wards for this purpose to hospitals which have up to date facilities for treatt & adequate & highly trained nursing staffs.

The Alternative is to arrange a modified Scheme for medical incurables and Send these to the Friend in need Society for which Extra grants for buildings & for maintenance & purchase might be a legitimate charge on the Ext. Sts. Revenues.

JHB
27/5/33

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The Secretary.

I sent for Dr. Noronha, who succeeded the late Dr. Da Costa in the medical charge of St. Martha's hospital. I have asked him to ascertain from the Mother Superior what exactly is their idea in applying for large grants for buildings without considering what is just as essential, what grants will be available for the additional medical and nursing staff which will then be required. I gathered from our conversation that Dr. Noronha is not at all in favour of such a large project. He has evidently not been taken into consultation in the matter, and he himself admits that medical arrangements and nursing arrangements in his hospital are carried on with a staff which is not properly trained and he is of opinion that the nuns do not realise the requirements of an up to date hospital either in regard to the number and quality of the medical staff, but still more of the nursing staff.

(2) I have had frequent opportunities of visiting the hospital, often in consultation with Dr Noronha, and I think that before Government money in large amount is spent upon new buildings, a great reorganisation of the system is necessary.

(3) The hospital for instance does practically no surgery. An occassional outside practitioner takes a case in and operates but there is no surgically trained nursing or theatre staff. There is no X ray Deptt. In fact the hospital is essentially a place where sick Frenchmen and Eurasians from S.India can rest and convalesce under quiet conditions with a markedly religious and kindly atmosphere, but without up to date treatment. Now, it is clear that "incurable cases" are not only medical - they are also surgical, and may require the application of splints for T.B. ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ The administering of various curative injections for T.B. abscesses, the treatment by massage, ~~xxxx~~ ultra-violet rays, X Ray theraphy etc., of weakened and paralised muscles. My own opinion is that the Society which runs the hospital has no clear

clear and practical idea of what it wants, and still le[ss] of what it is capable of doing for such "incurable cases". However I should propose that we await the case which Dr. Noronha will shortly put up. He has seen this file, and is now consulting the Sisterhood which runs the St. Martha's Hospital.

(4) I do not mean, however, to say that we do not require accomodation and treatment for "incurables". We do ~~not~~ require such - but it would appear to be better, in my opinion. to attach the extra wards for this purpose to hospitals whcih have up to date facilities, for treatment.or adequate and highly trained nursing staffs. The alternative is to arrange a modified scheme for medical incurables and ~~these~~ send them to the Friend -in-Need Society for whom extra grants for buildings and for increased expenditure might be a legitimate charge on the C & M Station Revenues.

(Id.) J. McPherson.
29-9-23

Para 6 ante.

A typed copy of the Residency Surgeon's note is kept up in para 6. The Residency Surgeon states that we should -- await the case which Mr. Noronha will shortly put up after consulting the Sisterhood which runs the St. Martha's ------- Hospital.

Further communication from the Residency Surgeon, ------ Bangalore, may be awaited.

T. N. Thangavelu
Mudaliar.
14-6-1933.

Secretary.

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Yes. The matter will have to be gone into thoroughly before we can say from any opinion regarding the proposals in para 1 of these notes.

L.L.
16/6/33.

Sen Supdt.

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No further communication has been received from the --- Residency Surgeon. Draft U.O. reminder is submitted for approval.

T. N. Thangavelu
Mudaliar.
9-9-1933.

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11.9.33

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Issued No. 3320, dated the 20th September 1933.

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~~P.U.C.~~

Memorandum No. 1479/157, dated the 5th October 1933, from the Residency Surgeon, Bangalore.

Please see the office notes in paras 1 to 9. Dr. F.H. Noronha, Medical Officer in charge of St. Martha's Hospital, Bangalore, states that the authorities of St. Martha's Hospital, Bangalore are willing to undertake the management of the wards for incurables, if the Government undertake to provide for, apart from the building and ------ equipment grants, a regular maintenance grant for the up-keep of patients and medical and nursing staff. In other words the Government should meet the entire cost of the scheme.

In this connection please see the alternative ----- schemes suggested by Col. McPherson in para 6(4) of the notes. If approved this may lie over till the question of Assigned Tract revenues is settled.

Submitted for orders.

T. N. Thangavelu
Mudaliar.
19-10-1933.

Secretary.

RS may find all the file etc for any remarks he may have to make.

To

The Residency Surgeon,
Civil & Military Station, Bangalore.U.

U.O.No. 10,004.
Dated the 21st October 1933.

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To

U.O. Note.

Subject:- Wards for Incurables.

Please refer to your U.O. note dated the 29th May 1933 on the above subject and let me know whether you have received any proposals from Dr. Noronha who is in medical charge of St. Martha's hospital, Bangalore City.

For Secretary to the ------
Resident.

To

The Residency Surgeon,

Bangalore.

T. N. Thangavelu
Mudaliar
9-9-1933.

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D.P.H(Camb.),Medical Officer in charge [illegible]
to the Residency Surgeon, Bowring Civil Hospital,Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No.1415/157,dated the 23rd. September 1933,I desire to say that I have consulted the authorities of St.Martha's Hospital who request me to state that they are willing to undertake the management of the wards for incurables on the follo ing lines:-

1). The entire management will be in the hands of the St. Martha's Hospital authorities just as in the way the present Institution is being carried on.

2). That apart from the building and equipment grant,a regular maintenance grant for the upkeep viz:- of patients and medical and nursing staff should be provided for irrespective of whatever changes of Government may take place.

If this meets with the approval of the Government a definite scheme can be worked out.

No: 1479/157

Residency Surgeon's Office
Bowring Civil Hospital
Bangalore 5th.October 1933

Copy of the letter is forwarded to the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, for information with reference to his U.O.Note No.9320,dated the 20th.September 1933.

OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.
BANGALORE.
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J. McEachern.
Bt-Colonel.,I.M.S.,
Residency Surgeon, Bangalore.